

2001 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION
Community and Family Studies

Section I (continued)

Part B – 15 marks

Attempt Questions 11–15

Allow about 25 minutes for this part

Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Question 11 (2 marks)

Identify a special need that a chronically ill person might have, and explain how it can be met.

A chronically ill person may need a great deal of emotional support, otherwise they can easily feel depressed and lack self-esteem. This need can be met through support groups (e.g. Kids with Cancer, CarTeen), counselling services (formal, as well as those such as life-line) and strong, supportive relationships with family and friends.

Question 12 (2 marks)

Explain ONE ethical guideline/procedure you would follow when conducting qualitative research involving people who are chronically ill.

Qualitative research involves ~~the~~ the collection of attitudes, ideas and opinions. Chronically ill people may have difficulty answering questions as they may feel weak and lack concentration. One ethical guideline would be to ensure that responses were not published, because the information is highly personal and was obtained from people who were particularly vulnerable.

Question 13 (3 marks)

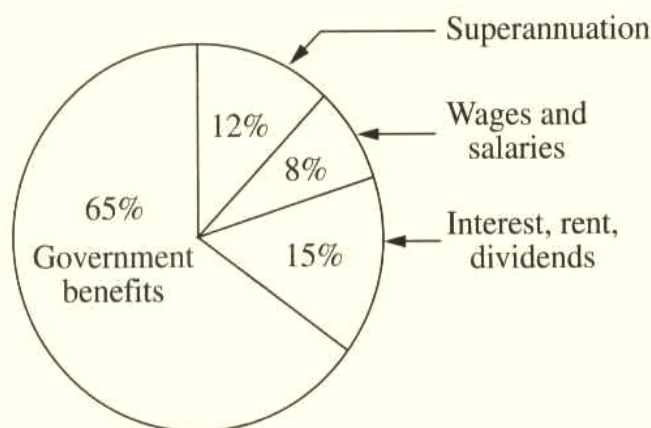
Outline the sequence of steps to be followed when conducting a research project.

Firstly consider the ~~main~~ aim of the research, thus the method of data collection. Next, ~~and~~ if appropriate, construct questions which the participants will be asked. Ensure that there is no bias. Conduct the research. Analyse results.

Question 14 (4 marks)

Researchers have conducted a study in their local community to investigate the sources of income of aged people.

The results are shown in the graph.



Sources of income of aged people

Account for the data in the graph.

Many aged people have retired, thus very few would gain income from wages and salaries. In the past, there was not as much emphasis on superannuation as there is today, which explains why few people depend on this. Also, there are more aged women than men, many widows, ~~explaining~~ who ~~would not~~ may not have spent as much or any of their life ~~in~~ paid work, which would also explain these two figures. 65% depend on government benefits because many have little or no other source of income. It seems that the demographic sampled was not wealthy, because of the high dependence on pension, which would explain why few depend on interest, rent, dividends.

Question 15 (4 marks)

Describe TWO strategies that parents can use to manage multiple-role expectations arising from work and family commitments.

A role is a position with status, rights, and responsibilities attached to it. Parents often experience strain when they have multiple role expectations. Firstly, a parent could alter their pattern of work - Job share or Part time employment would allow them to designate more time to family responsibilities. Telecommuting or Flexitime would allow them to still ~~essentially~~ maintain the same income, yet work around family commitments, allowing them to devote more time to family. ~~A parent could also design~~ Another strategy parents could use would be to designate responsibility to other family members, ensuring that they help with home maintenance, etc. This could be achieved well ~~if~~ if a time table was drawn up outlining what each family member had to do.